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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 26, 1888.

URGENT within the last few years the assessment of property in Hongkong for rating purposes was conducted in a very loose manner, and, as stated by the Colonial Treasurer at the recent meeting of the Legislative Council, exemptions were numerous. A different policy has now been adopted, and one which in its main lines cannot fail to meet with the approval of the ratepayers, to whose interest it is that no one of their number should escape and thereby throw what should be his own burden of taxation on to the shoulders of other people. Greater care is now exercised in ascertaining the correctness of the returns supplied by householders, and certain classes of property are to be rated that have hitherto been exempt. A year or two ago wharves were called upon to pay rates; up to that time they had been exempted, by an oversight. The Colonial Treasurer says, but it was discovered that they were liable under the existing rating law, and they were rated accordingly, and on the same basis as other property, those in Victoria being charged thirteen per cent.

In the new Bill it is proposed to charge all wharves, whether situated on this side or at Kowloon, a uniform rate of seven per cent. Machinery, which has hitherto been exempt, is also to be rated. An interesting discussion took place at the Legislative Council with reference to the property of taxaving either machinery or piers. The interests affected were represented by the unofficial members of the Council, who, however, were outvoted by the Government. But, having decided to rate piers and machinery, the question arises, on what basis is the assessor to fix their ratable value. On this point the Colonial Treasurer says that where there is not a tenement a hypothetical tenement must be supposed, and the assessor will ask himself how much a hypothetical tenant would be willing to pay as rent for the hypothetical tenement. The same with machinery; a hypothetical tenant is to be supposed and the valuation made on an assumption of the amount such hypothetical tenant would be likely to pay. The process does not seem a very satisfactory one, but no one attempted to suggest a better. It will be admitted that the valuation must necessarily, under the circumstances, be attended by a considerable amount of uncertainty. This being so, it is important that the fullest opportunity of appeal should be given, and that the appeal should be to the most competent court available. On this point the new Bill is substantially the same as the old one; the appeal lies to the Supreme Court in its Summary Jurisdiction, and the order of the Court is to be final and conclusive.

Heretofore the system of appeal to the Supreme Court has worked satisfactorily enough, because the questions submitted to the court have been such as it was quite competent to decide; they have had reference only, if we are not mistaken, to the value of house property, a point which can be readily decided either by the actual rent paid for the particular property involved or property of a similar description in the immediate neighbourhood. In cases of this kind the Court has tangible evidence on which to base its decision. New and important interests are now to be brought in, as to which there will be no tangible evidence. However great may be the confidence felt in the legal abilities of a Judge, he may be totally incompetent to pronounce an opinion on the assessment of property when he has no evidence to guide him. It would seem that some such idea suggested itself to the mind of the Acting Chief Justice during the debate on the Bill, for he asked on what basis machinery was to be rated, giving as his reason for the question that "it is so difficult to get a valuation of machinery." The Colonial Treasurer admitted that the question was a most difficult one, and said the only practical test was to ask what a tenant would give for the whole going concern: "You may take," he said, "the gross earnings, making a deduction for the tenant's profit, wear and tear, insurance, and other considerations, and that would leave the net ratable value." Supposing the cost or rent of machinery were enhanced to the extent of many times its intrinsic value by reason of a patent attaching to it, a very conceivable case, would the value of the patent be included in the valuation of the machinery? Obviously it ought not to be so included, but it is possible that

assessor might take a contrary view, and that the Judge of the Summary Court might support him. But in the case of ordinary machinery, and in the case also of piers, where no conclusive evidence of value can be adduced, it is not to be expected that the decision of a Judge of the Supreme Court would command confidence, for the reason that what he would be called upon to do would be not to interpret the law, as to which there might probably be no dispute, but to assess values, a duty altogether different from his proper function, and one which ought not to be thrown on him. With the changes now introduced, in the rating Bill, a change in the manner of deciding appeals against the assessor's valuation has become necessary. In England the assessment is made by the Vestry. A case may be taken to the courts for a decision as to whether a particular property is ratable, but the courts are not called upon to revise an assessment, or to pronounce an opinion as to what a hypothetical tenant would give for a hypothetical tenement. Such a duty is inconsistent with the functions of a judge, which are to interpret the law and to decide on facts. The Judges of Hongkong cannot be supposed to possess any special qualification to fit them for the discharge of the duties of assessors. Some representative body selected from the ratepayers should therefore be constituted to decide appeals against the Government assessor's valuations. What is wanted for the just decision of such appeals is not legal lore but sound business knowledge and training. An Assessment Board composed of merchants and property owners might be trusted to arrive at an approximate correct valuation of machinery, buildings, piers, and any other ratable property. The same confidence cannot be felt in the Government Assessor and a Summary Court Judge. The creation of such a Board as we have suggested would also be a decided step in the direction of self-government. The assessing of property belongs by natural right to the ratepayers through their representatives, and not to Government officials, whom they do not appoint and over whom they have no control.

The delivery of the English mail was begun at 0.55 yesterday.

The United States corvette *Juniper*, Captain G. T. Davies, arrived at Yokohama on the 19th

of April.

The Agents (Messrs. Russell & Co.) inform us that the E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Gothic* from Australian ports left Port Darwin on the 21st ultimo for this port.

The Agents (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.) inform us that the *Gothic* Liner steamers *Glenalmond*, from London, left Singapore on Sunday afternoon for this port.

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THE PEAK TIN MINING AND SMELTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the above Company was held at the Shanghai Club on the 28th March, Mr. W. V. Drummond presiding.

REPORT.

The whole of 1887 was spent in negotiating with London for the sale of the property. This year, three of these negotiations have been completed. A syndicate was formed in London to acquire the property and rights of the company, but it was not until December last that the final terms were agreed upon. These terms are that the syndicate undertake to have a report made upon the property, and that if such report is favourable to the company, to enable them to sell it. The new capital of £150,000 (210,000 in cash) entitles the company to a total new capital of £150,000; further that out of the new capital, £100,000 will be required to complete the works now in progress. In the event of the syndicate failing to make a company, no expense will be entailed on this company. It was understood that the report would be made within six months, and that the syndicate would be in a position to give the shareholders some definite information on this point at the meeting on 28th inst.

The explanation of the Sohama Gold was continued.

Mr. G. R. Wingrove, auditor, has written to say that he has been engaged in several discussions and nothing further will be done pending the arrival of the syndicate.

Mr. E. G. Low having resigned the Board on his departure from Shanghai, Mr. E. J. Hogg was elected in his place; his appointment now requires the confirmation of the shareholders.

AUDITORS.

Mr. G. R. Wingrove retains as required by the articles of association, and resigns himself for re-election.

W. V. DRUMMOND, Chairman.

Shanghai, 9th March, 1888.

THE CHAINMAN.—Gentlemen, there is very little to add to what appears in the report of the shareholders. The business has been occupied in negotiations with the London Syndicate with the object of forming a new company to take the property of the present Company. These negotiations have been exceedingly protracted, but on 10th December a telegram was received from the Syndicate accepting the terms offered for the purchase of the property. On the following day a telegram was despatched from here closing the matter with the Syndicate. Written advice from the Syndicate was promised, and upon receipt of the property being assigned in February, it is anticipated so far no information on the subject has come to hand. A strongly worded telegram has been despatched to the Syndicate requiring definite information as to what has been done, and it will probably be necessary to despatch a second. If no satisfactory explanation is not received during the next few days, the position of the Company will be to apply to the shareholders to pass a Resolution authorizing the liquidation of the Company at the discretion of the directors, but before putting the resolution to the vote, I shall be glad to answer any questions the shareholders may have to put.

Mr. WAINWRIGHT asked if it were contemplated to propose this resolution.

Mr. DRUMMOND said it was, and that the resolution was a mere amplification of the powers which the directors already possessed, as given them by the shareholders at the last annual meeting to dispose of the whole property and assets of the company.

Mr. DRUMMOND proposed, Mr. Hogg seconded, that it was carried unanimously.—That the directors be, and they are hereby empowered to liquidate the company.

Proposed by Mr. WAINWRIGHT, seconded by Mr. DRUMMOND, and carried.—That Mr. G. R. Wingrove be re-appointed Auditor for the year.

Daily News.

OUR PARIS LETTER.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

PARIS, 24th February.

Everyone speaks of peace, but prepares for war. The latter is doomed to be a simple question of the thermometer. Once General Fobrury has ended his campaign, then will commence that of magazine rifles and the improved gunpowders. Each day brings to light some new alliance formed by Prince Bismarck-Austria and Italy first; then "elégant"; next Holland; afterwards Spain, winding up with Switzerland and British neutrality. And as the Chancellor thus claims the right to ally for the security of his interests, France and Russia cannot be blamed for also arranging beforehand to hunt in couples. It is felt that the combatants are doubling each other, so as to avoid breaking the peace, the first, for public opinion, or as Bismarck calls it, "the impenetrable forces," is not to be despised, when a power puts on the war paint and digs up the hotbed.

It is accepted as a tyro's conclusion that Russia will open the ball by provoking Austria either directly or letting loose Montenegro on Bosnia and Herzegovina. Then will blow up what remains of Western Turkey. Not quite full confidence is felt that in the general conflict of mixed interests Austria will be able to keep all the twelve nationalities which make up her geographical existence together. If her Slaveykin, why the Austro-Hungarian empire is smashed up; Vienna and the eleven millions of Germans will go over to the Fatherland fold, Hungary will shrink into a Holland, and the Chancellor will possess Trieste.—That the Hungarian seat of power is said to be much coveted. Many swear by the foot of Pharaoh, that he is scheming up for this consummation. Such a slice of territory and of humanity would be more in interest than a strip of Gaul that the French believe he would be ambitious, stretching from Dunkirk to Dijon, with its three millions of mortal enemies in advance.

Further: it is rumoured that the Prince in making himself the champion of Holland, Belgium, and Switzerland, and ultimately compelling Denmark—that elongated tail of Schleswig-Holstein,—to lose his protection, intends to link them all into a customs union. This means, in the end, the attention of Tritons pay to Mincio. Rest the Russian German provinces. That could very well try its luck too with the fortunes of German Austria. This life-work accomplished, Bismarck might claim his Nunc dimittis. Such are considered to be the signs of the Prince. Then to secure his outstanding national agglomerations, and the better to enable him to retain them, Italy is promised to be indemnified at the cost of continental France, and to receive, besides, Tunisia. Spain is vaguely mentioned in the alliance-pool, and would of course, if she lent a hand to immobilise France, expect some pickings—the Pyrenean departments of France, and perhaps the coaling stations at the expense of Morocco. It may be concluded that France and Russia broke up the Teutonic combinations, they, too, would not be backward to mate ducks and drakes of old Europa.

Nothing is clearly known as to the exact military strength of Russia. Evidently she is not afraid of the combinations against her in *futuro* ; she is reported to say that "block" against her will tumble like a house of cards after the first clash of arms. France keeps cautiously reserved; is glued to the programme, to provoke no war, to accept no insult. In the way of security against invasion, she is secure. As for offensive operations, that is uncertain. The worst point lies perhaps in her inability to send troops immediately to the front. But she has excellent entrenched camps on the first line of her eastern frontier defences, which

will compel the invaders to pause. She has roused up to the necessity of looking to her fleet. Hardly has she put several ships out of commission than she has now to put them in commission. It is the naval activity in the Italian docks that has suggested the thought not to be caught unprepared. If France lost the command of the Mediterranean, Algeria, Tunisia, and her eastern possessions would be placed in a critical position.—England is more than suspected of slipping Italy on the back for getting ready to raise the waves with or without Britannia. Naturally England will expect to keep Egypt first for herself, and next for everybody.

There is a serious uneasiness in the present threatening situation of Europe that France has not stable Government. It is not the difficulty of squashing Premier Tardieu, morally killed six times, that constitutes the difficulty, but the finding of a successor, who will possess adequate authority and substantial parliamentary support. That man, to whom he seems to be near at a white blackjack. And to appeal to the country under present circumstances to remedy the execrable dead-lock would be tantamount to dangerous Soubi Pitt is required at the French helm; some statesman to strike away the obstructions. I think the financial position of France is the cause of the political sines and evers. Instead of boldly grappling with what is wrong, applying the surgical knife, the constitutional medicine men offer nothing but postponements, boshes, and cataplasmas—the spectacles for the inward wound.

Whether Russia commences war or not, it is concluded that after the expected death of the King of Prussia, the European imbroglio will assuredly lead to hostilities. The French chronically remember that the Prince is not their viceroy, but a fellow-man in the agony of a battle with a moribund disease. The doctors here have months since given up all hopes of the recovery of the August invalid. Had he been operated upon before his health was wrecked, and his blood decomposed, the chances were in favour of his being saved, or at least, a very useful and momentous life prolonged. But such calculations are now over. The grave will win, not science, nor Maistre, nor Bismarck.

We are being floored out with the Wilson scandal. The revelations before the comic are despicable. And such vulgar, idiotic swindlers, two who lived on the plunderings of the reputation of France. And to say the chapter of incidents throw up such a man as Wilson to virtually rule France for six or seven years by farming the position and influence of his father-in-law Gravy. Next, in regrettable wonder, is the indifference of all respect for veracity by the sworn witnesses, who have combined to say nothing, to deny everything, and, by defeating justice, allowing Wilsonians to escape scot-free. There is something rotten in the State of Denmark, and this trial is the conclusive joint of the painful immorality in high latitudes.

Society is gay, notwithstanding so much administrative and legislative machinery being out of joint. Business is very dull, the outlook gloomy, and the winter quite a model of suffering and severity.

[The above letter, which arrived by French mail, was crowded out of Monday's issue.]

SUMMARY OF THE KWANG-PAO'

30th March.

List of the secretaries of the Grand Council and Clerks in the various Public Departments at the Capital who have been recommended for reward, a custom every five years.

Paragraph with regard to the late capture of four small vessels by the Portuguese authorities. The Portuguese Government ordered the plunder recovered to be given back to the owners, and the English Consul was directed to give them their lawyer fees. Two naked pirates have since been arrested and put in prison, but the Editor says the Portuguese jail is as comfortable as an hotel, and the prisoners, since their arrest, have been able to dispose of their plunder.

A noted thief, who has been levying blackmail on the wealthy, was arrested yesterday by the police of Berlin. Schulz, a man in the service for his needs. He was once a time in a good position.

A sick man, not so far identified, was carried to the Ling Wang Temple some days ago, and left there exposed to the weather during the next day.

A lunatic goes loose at Kashan, but is taken home by his family. It is said he used to make a living by passing bad money, and his madness is a punishment for doing so.

A fortune-hunting Hulchow offers his newly-borrowed sum as a gift to anyone who will take him, being certain he will have ill fortune all his life.

A junk has been sunk near Lintin.

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